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**McFADDEN HOUSE**  
6 miles North of Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas.

Owner: J.J. McFadden

Date of Erection: Between 1840 and 1850

Architect: Unknown

Builder: D.H. McFadden

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Native limestone, cypress, oak and pine.

Other Existing Records: None

Additional Data:

The house, containing six rooms and two bells, is built of native limestone with cypress, oak and pine woodwork. Cypress wood predominates. Roof is pitched about six and one half to twelve covered with cypress shingles. House is flanked on either side with a chimney, flush with the exterior wall. At the front entry there is a small porch on both floor levels, which, is more or less, Colonial in style.

The plan includes four rooms and a stair hall on the first floor and two rooms and a stair hall on the second floor. Each floor contains two fireplaces.

Walls are approximately two feet thick thruout, studded on the exterior and plastered on the interior.

This house was one of the earliest ranch houses built within a radius of seventy five miles, and, undoubtedly, the most pretentious. Mr. McFadden, the builder, was a very wealthy man; he was the owner of several thousand head of cattle at the time of the building of this house.

Much of this information was secured from Mrs. Mary K. Cloud, Custodian of the Daughters of the Republic Museum in Austin, Texas.

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